RESOLUTION NO. 2001-165

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING AMENDMENT TO THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES BYLAWS TO INCREASE DUES TO IMPLEMENT THE LEAGUE GRASSROOTS NETWORK

WHEREAS, a task force of the League of California Cities is recommending support of an initiative titled: "Grassroots Network"; and

WHEREAS, the task force recommended 14 additional employees to staff 10 field offices to support the advancement of legislation that benefits all cities; and

WHEREAS, in 1991-1992 the State began taking local property taxes to fund schools, costing cities over \$1.6 billion; and

WHEREAS, statewide property tax revenues have dropped from 15% to 7% of all cities' revenues; and

WHEREAS, the State legislature continues to pass bills that impose un-funded mandates and preempts local authority, limiting the ability of cities to respond to the challenges and opportunities in their communities; and

WHEREAS, the legislative position of cities is increasingly underrepresented in relation to the lobbying and fundraising efforts of opposing groups.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby support an amendment to the League of California Cities Bylaws and does hereby support an increase in dues to implement the League's "Grassroots Network."

Dated: June 20, 2001

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2001-165 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held June 20, 2001, by the following vote:

AYES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - Hitchcock, Land and Pennino

NOES:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - Howard and Mayor Nakanishi

ABSENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSTAIN:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

SUSAN J. BLACKSTON

City Clerk